

GRIDIRON CLUB LAMPOONS COUNTRY'S FOREMOST MEN.

Judge Parker's Silence Made the Subject of Jest—Hearst's Candidacy Likened to an Elephant Which Crawled Through a Key-hole—Supreme Court Justices Masqueraded as Minstrel Men—Sarcasm at Senator Allison's Expense.

Washington, April 23.—Conservative silence on the part of Judge Alton B. Parker of New York was made the subject of jest at the April dinner of the Gridiron Club at the Astor, the toast, and the candidacy of William R. Hearst was treated with a levity which must have appealed even to Mr. Hearst's friends. The Supreme Court, the President, Senate Senators, the Speaker and leading members of the House of Representatives were made to furnish many of the quiet jokes, while the candid personages figured in topical songs.

Among those at the tables were Justices Harlan and Brewer of the Supreme Court of the United States, Secretary Moody, Senators Aldrich, Allison, Cullom, Dick, Doolittle, Kitcher and Millard, Speaker Cannon, Representative Tamm, and the Hon. Cushman, Dabney, Hay, Hemenway, Lehigh, Lowery, Powers, Sullivan and John Sharp Williams.

SHREVE COURT IN DISGUISE.

When the dinner was at its height the cries of the Gridiron Club announced the entrance of the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices, and a sedate column of nine stately figures, clad in black gowns, marched slowly in and bowed, while the cries opened the court.

In a flash the court was turned into a minstrel show, while Justices Harlan and Brewer gasped and then burst into uproarious laughter. There were two tambourines, two bones, an interlocutor and four Justices. Here is some of the conversation which ensued:

Interlocutor: "You seem to take a great interest in Mr. Hearst's candidacy, Mr. Justice Harlan."

Justice Harlan: "I heard a conundrum about it the other day."

Interlocutor: "Heard a conundrum—that is interesting. What was it?"

Justice Harlan: "Why is Hearst's chance at the Democratic nomination like living at a hotel on the American plan?"

Interlocutor: "Well, ready, don't you know, Mr. Justice Harlan?"

Justice Harlan: "Why is Hearst's chance at the Democratic nomination like living at an American plan hotel?"

Interlocutor: "Because you pay for it whether you get it or not."

Justice Harlan: "Well, Mr. Justice Snyder, what do you think of the situation?"

Justice Snyder: "I wonder if you have heard of the latest executive order from the White House?"

Interlocutor: "I think not. What is the latest executive order from the White House?"

Justice Snyder: "The President is going to give service pensions."

Interlocutor: "Speaking about Justices, what is your opinion of Judge Parker, Mr. Justice Wynne?"

Justice Wynne: "He doesn't seem very talkative. Still, the Republicans are going to elect him."

Interlocutor: "The Republicans are going to elect him? How?"

Justice Wynne: "Tom Platt is going to send him a frank so he can express an opinion."

Interlocutor: "Mr. Justice Bennett, what were you about to say?"

Justice Bennett: "I think Senator Allison is present. Did you ever hear that story about the man who tried to get him to make a definite statement? You know, there was a flock of fresh-sheared sheep—"

Interlocutor: "Now, now, Mr. Justice Bennett, that story is entirely too old to be told in this company. You mean the chestnut about the man who said to the Senator: 'Those sheep have justice been sheared?' and the Senator replied: 'It looks like it on this side.' That is the old—"

Justice Bennett (interrupting): "I don't mean anything of the kind. Senator Allison is not here. It looks like it on this side."

Interlocutor: "You surprise me. He didn't refrain from committing himself by saying, 'It looks like it on this side.' Then, pray, what did he say?"

Justice Bennett (triumphantly): "He said: 'As respects to that, has it been demonstrated that they are not?'"

Interlocutor: "And that reminds me of what we have the other Senator from Iowa here to-night also."

Justice Bennett: "Dolliver? Oh, yes, Dolliver is here, and he is still holding out for the Iowa idea."

Interlocutor: "The Iowa idea? Now, Mr. Justice Bennett, what is the Iowa idea?"

Justice Bennett: "To get all the offices you can and hold for more, and to take the tariff off codfish and keep it on wheat."

Interlocutor: "Of respect to Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, retired, who is favored as a candidate for President by the Prohibition party, Mr. Justice Hay said: 'I'm on the Water Wagon Now.' Then the dialogue was resumed."

Interlocutor: "Mr. Justice Snyder, you appear to have something on your mind."

Justice Snyder: "I was just thinking of the report I heard that Secretary Moody is going to resign."

Interlocutor: "There have been rumors to that effect, I understand, and we shall all be sorry to have him go."

Justice Snyder: "We'll be sorry, all right, but really, it wouldn't be fair for him to stay."

Interlocutor: "I don't think I catch the drift of your remarks. Why wouldn't it be fair for him to stay?"

Justice Snyder: "Because there are three or four people in Massachusetts who have not been Secretary of the Navy yet."

Interlocutor: "Mr. Justice Bennett, what are your views on the topics of the times?"

Justice Bennett: "I've been reading a lot about this Hearst boom, and how it is growing and growing, and it reminds me of a man I knew who woke up one night and found a pink elephant in his room."

Interlocutor: "A pink elephant in his room? How did it get in?"

Justice Bennett: "He couldn't figure that out, for it was too big to come in the door or the window, but he was so scared he didn't think about that much. All he wanted was to get it out."

Interlocutor: "Ah, yes, get it out. And what did he do?"

Justice Bennett: "He didn't do anything. He

CHINA DISCLOSES DEFINITE PURPOSE TO FAVOR JAPS

New Attitude Assumed Immediately After Alexieff's Request for Retirement of Frontier Guard.

MINISTER MAY BE RECALLED.

Rumor That Japanese Lost 7,000 Men in Battle on the Yalu Officially Discredited.

RUSSIA NOT READY TO FIGHT.

Intends to Make Advance of Mikado's Forces Difficult, but Delay Decisive Battle Until Result Is Assured.

Paris, April 23.—The correspondent of the Associated Press here is informed that China has taken quite a definite position in the Russo-Japanese war. It is said this may involve serious consequences to the relations between Russia and China.

China's action, it is noted, follows the report that Viceroy Alexieff had requested the retirement of the Chinese troops from the frontier.

It is also reported that the Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg will be recalled. Although the latter report is denied, there is reason to believe that it has some foundation.

RUMORS OF BATTLE.

St. Petersburg, April 23.—The Associated Press is authoritatively informed that the Government has no advice supporting the rumors of heavy fighting on the Yalu River.

According to a report current to-day, which was said to be based on a private telegram from Port Arthur, the Japanese lost 7,000 men.

In spite of the reports from Seoul and Tokio that the Russians are massing 50,000 men to resist the Japanese crossing the Yalu River, it can be asserted with great positiveness that an obstinate obstruction of the enemy's crossing is in no part of General Kuropatkin's tactics.

The Russians intend that the Japanese shall have the river behind them before giving battle in force. Kuropatkin's plans in this respect are fully approved here.

Of course, the Russians will do all in their power to render the crossing as difficult and expensive as possible, but the first decisive engagement will occur in Manchuria, where the Russians believe they will have all the advantage of position.

The Japanese fleet is again reported to be off Port Arthur, but the report is not official.

SPIES IN FRANCE.

The Russian Blavo prints a letter from an official in the French Secret Service which reported the presence of numerous Japanese spies in France, well provided with money.

They shadow Russians and watch the shippers. Especially do they endeavor to ascertain the exact date of the departure of the Baltic fleet and the points en route at which it will coal.

The Novosti states that the Russians should feel gratified at the strategic achievement of the naval squadron, which imposed caution upon the Japanese operations and gave Russia time to throw a preponderating military force into Manchuria.

MISS ROOSEVELT HAS THE MEASLES

President's Daughter Confined to the White House, but Not for Long.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, April 23.—Miss Alice Roosevelt is suffering from a slight attack of German measles, and is now confined to the house.

This announcement was made from the White House to-night, because several hundred invitations have been sent out for a musicale to be given Monday evening by Mrs. Roosevelt.

As Miss Roosevelt is isolated in her own apartments, her physician said to-night that there would be no danger whatever to the guests, and on this account the invitations for the musicale have not been recalled.

Miss Roosevelt's physician says the attack is only mild, and that she will not be confined in doors more than a few days at most.

BOARD WILL HEAR PROTEST.

Police Commissioners Grant an Audience to Property Holders.

Property holders in the vicinity of West Pine boulevard and Newstead avenue, who for the last few days have been circulating petitions against the proposed establishment of stables for the mounted police of the district on Newstead avenue, between Pine and Leodele avenue, called upon Police Commissioner Frye yesterday to protest.

The committee was headed by Frank P. Hays of the firm of Little & Hays. Petitions were presented containing about seventy names of protesting residents.

Commissioner Frye asked the committee to call during the board meeting next Friday and state their objections, when, it was said, the matter would be given due consideration.

WINTHROP SUCCEEDS HUNT.

Philippine Jurist Appointed Governor of Porto Rico.

Washington, April 23.—President Roosevelt has selected Judge Beaman Winthrop of the Court of First Instance, Philippine Islands, to succeed William H. Hunt as Governor of the island of Porto Rico. The appointment has not been announced officially, but probably will be in a short time.

NINE COUNTIES ARE ADDED TO THE FOLK COLUMN

Boone, Clark, Knox, Lawrence, Lewis, Mercer, Pemiscot, Scotland and Shelby With Forty-Four Delegates Declare for the Boodle Prosecutor by Large Majorities—Seven Hold Primaries and Two Mass Conventions—Heavy Vote Polled Despite Rains in Some Sections.

CIRCUIT ATTORNEY NOW HAS A TOTAL OF 202 DELEGATES.

Circuit Attorney Folk made a clean sweep in all nine counties in which gubernatorial contests were held yesterday—Boone, Clark, Knox, Scotland, Shelby, Lawrence, Pemiscot and Mercer. This gives him forty-four delegates, increasing his total strength to 202 in the State Nominating Convention. Hawes has 111 delegates, Reed thirty-three and Gantt none.

Boone County declared for Folk almost four to one, incomplete returns giving him 1,599 to 430 for Reed. Jerro H. Murry of Columbia carried the county unanimously for Attorney General.

At the Pemiscot County mass meetings Folk received rigid instructions by a sweeping majority. A resolution to instruct for Cook for Secretary of State and Allen for Auditor was defeated.

Three or four hundred Democrats of Mercer County gathered in mass convention at Princeton and there was not a vote against Folk.

Shelby County declared for the Circuit Attorney by a vote of 2,000 to 130 for the combined opposition.

Folk carried every township in Lawrence County, and the returns last night indicated there would not be a Reed delegate in the County Convention to-morrow.

Knox County declared for the St. Louis prosecutor by at least two to one. Incomplete returns indicate his majority will be 1,000 or over.

Clark County declared for Folk by about five to one.

Incomplete returns from Lewis show a Folk majority of 530.

In Scotland County the farmers quit work to go to the polls to vote for the boodle scourger, rolling up a large majority.

Folk was the only candidate who filed application for his name to be placed on the ballot in Montgomery County, and as the time limit has expired he will be without opposition in that county.

The Democratic Committee of Laclede County yesterday ordered a primary for State officers.

BOONE FOUR TO ONE FOR FOLK.

Jerry Murry Gets Almost Unanimous Vote for Attorney General.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Columbia, Mo., April 23.—Boone County's ten delegates will go to the Jefferson City Convention instructed for Folk and Murry.

Folk carried the county by about 4 to 1.

At the Pemiscot County mass meetings, carried the county almost unanimously, only a few scattering votes being received for Major and Crow.

Of the 108 districts, the forty-two heard from give Folk 1,599 and Reed 430.

Boone district heard from are all small ones and probably less than 500 votes will be cast in them. Most of them will go for Folk unanimously. Of the forty-two heard from, Reed received votes in only twenty-two, the other twenty going solidly for Folk.

Only one of the districts heard from for Reed, that being the town of Centralia, which went for Reed 130 to Folk 155.

The other three districts in that township have not been heard from, but they are strong Folk communities, and the township is for Folk.

Every township, though the vote in Centralia may be light. The vote by township, as received, is:

Missouri—Four districts out of thirteen: Folk 58; Reed 25.

Boone district districts out of ten: Folk 215; Reed 34.

Cedar—Eight districts out of twenty-four: Folk 244; Reed 14; Hawes 1.

Rocky Ford—Two districts out of thirteen: Folk 109; Reed 7.

Centralia—One district, town of Centralia, out of four: Folk 135; Reed 130.

Columbia—Thirteen districts out of eighteen: Folk 675; Reed 145.

Perche—Six districts out of twelve: Folk 114; Reed 13.

The result now, as predicted, will be: Folk 2,000; Reed 500. The vote in Columbia is: Folk 565; Reed 144.

A heavy rain fell in the afternoon, and as all the primaries except in the towns were held only in the afternoon, the vote is exceptionally light.

It is reported here that in some of the smaller districts no elections were held because of the rain.

The rural telephone lines, which reach four-fifths of the farm homes of the county, were used to good advantage by the Folk organizers to get out the vote.

Reed was in Columbia this morning, but departed before noon.

NO POSSESSION IN MERCER COUNTY.

Folk Gets Instructions at Mass Meeting in Princeton.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Princeton, Mo., April 23.—Mercer County Democrats in mass convention to-day declared for Joseph W. Folk for Governor with a sweeping majority. The convention was one of the most enthusiastic demonstrations ever held by the party in this county. The crowd was variously estimated from 300 to 400.

The instructions endorsing Mr. Folk's candidacy were for the delegates to vote for him, first, last and all the time. Resolutions endorsing the present State administration were adopted.

The delegates to the Judicial Convention at St. Joseph were instructed for A. A. Woodson for Supreme Judge and the delegates to the Pettie Springs Convention for H. C. Timmons for Judge of the Appellate Court. No other candidates were mentioned. The delegates to the various conventions are as follows:

Jefferson City—John W. Luehlen and Henry Shockey.

St. Joseph—John E. W. Judson and James M. Hayes.

Perche—Springs—J. H. Moss and J. E. Powell.

Joplin—R. W. Streckman and Joseph Shocks.

Gallatin—Congressional—Joseph George, P. P. Wynne, Frank Berlin, Ross Alexander, John Black and William Ruth.

PEMISCOT DECLARES FOR FOLK.

Democrats Defeat Resolution Instructing for Cook and Allen.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Caruthersville, Mo., April 23.—Joseph W. Folk carried the Pemiscot County mass meetings to-day by a sweeping majority, receiving rigid instructions.

It was the most enthusiastic and largely attended convention ever held in the county, but passed off quietly.

H. C. Riley was almost unanimously nominated for re-election as Judge of the Twenty-eighth District, his opponent being Albert Derelin.

Joseph W. Russell was nominated by acclamation for candidate of the Fourteenth Congressional District, his opponent withdrawing several weeks ago.

J. W. Farris of Bloomfield, candidate for State Senator, was nominated by acclamation, his opponent, John E. Marshall, having withdrawn.

After the Folk men carried the mass meetings, the greatest surprise came when they refused to instruct for Allen O. Allen for State Auditor and Sam B. Cook for Secretary of State.

Arthur L. Oliver, nominee to represent the county in the State Legislature, also withdrew.

LACLEDE ORDERS PRIMARY.

Names of Candidates Will Be Printed on the Ballot.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Laboron, Mo., April 23.—The Democratic

STANDING OF CANDIDATES IN GUBERNATORIAL RACE.

Counties.	Folk	Reed	Hawes	Contant	Uninstructed
Andrew	4	1	1	1	1
Atchison	4	1	1	1	1
Benton	3	1	1	1	1
Boone	10	1	1	1	1
Butler	3	1	1	1	1
Carter	2	1	1	1	1
Cass	7	1	1	1	1
Cooper	6	1	1	1	1
Carroll	6	1	1	1	1
Clay	7	1	1	1	1
Caldwell	3	1	1	1	1
Cole	5	1	1	1	1
Clark	4	1	1	1	1
Clinton	4	1	1	1	1
Crawford	4	1	1	1	1
Dallas	2	1	1	1	1
Douglas	2	1	1	1	1
Dunklin	3	1	1	1	1
Gentry	5	1	1	1	1
Grundy	3	1	1	1	1
Henry	8	1	1	1	1
Howell	4	1	1	1	1
Holt	4	1	1	1	1
Jasper	4	1	1	1	1
Johnson	7	1	1	1	1
Jefferson	4	1	1	1	1
Knox	4	1	1	1	1
Lawrence	7	1	1	1	1
Lewis	5	1	1	1	1
Livingson	5	1	1	1	1
McDonald	3	1	1	1	1
Marion	3	1	1	1	1
Mississippi	3	1	1	1	1
Mercer	2	1	1	1	1
New Madrid	2	1	1	1	1
Newton	6	1	1	1	1
Nodaway	8	1	1	1	1
Oregon	4	1	1	1	1
Platte	1	1	1	1	1
Pemiscot	3	1	1	1	1
Reynolds	2	1	1	1	1
Ray	7	1	1	1	1
Randolph	8	1	1	1	1
Ripley	3	1	1	1	1
St. Louis	11	1	1	1	1
St. Louis City	11	1	1	1	1
Scott	3	1	1	1	1
Schuyler	3	1	1	1	1
Stoddard	5	1	1	1	1
Scotland	4	1	1	1	1
Shelby	5	1	1	1	1
Taney	2	1	1	1	1
Vernon	3	1	1	1	1
Webster	3	1	1	1	1
Warren	1	1	1	1	1
Worth	2	1	1	1	1
Totals	202	33	111	35	6

CARRIES SHELBY FIFTEEN TO ONE.

Folk Receives 2,000 Votes to 130 for Combined Opposition.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Shelby, Mo., April 23.—Complete returns of to-day's primary in Shelby County give Folk 2,000 votes and the combined opposition—Reed, Hawes and Gantt—130.

Folk carried every precinct in the county by a large vote. No other State officers were voted for.

James T. Lloyd, who had no opposition, ran ahead of the ticket, and J. H. Lyle is elected Congressional Committeeman for this county.

The following county ticket was nominated: Representative, H. J. Simmons; Sheriff, A. J. Neff; Collector, George M. Browning; Prosecuting Attorney, N. E. Williams; Assessor, Mark Dempsey; Treasurer, J. M. Pickett; Surveyor, W. W. Mitchell; Public Administrator, M. White; Coroner, W. Magee; Judge County Court, Second District, J. T. Hardy.

FOLK CARRIES EVERY TOWNSHIP.

Circuit Attorney Makes a Sweeping Victory in Lawrence.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Aurora, Mo., April 23.—Folk carried every township in Lawrence County to-day and the probability is there will not be a Reed delegate on the floor of the County Convention, which will be held at Aurora, Mo., on Friday.

Aurora, claimed formerly by the Reed men, gave Folk 241 votes and Reed 112 at the primary election this afternoon.

No contests of any kind were reported.

KNOX TWO TO ONE FOR FOLK.

Incomplete Returns Indicate His Majority Will Be 1,000.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Edina, Mo., April 23.—Circuit Attorney Folk carried Knox County at the Democratic primary by at least two to one. It is estimated that his majority over Reed will be about 1,000. Complete returns will swell the majority.

Complete returns have been received from nine townships, and all of them give Folk good majorities, four of them as high as four to one. Fabius Township gives the boodle scourger five to one.

FOLK 1,274, REED 98 IN SCOTLAND.

Circuit Attorney Carries the County Over Thirteen to One.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Memphis, Mo., April 23.—Complete returns from to-day's Democratic primary show a tremendous victory for Folk for Governor. Following is the vote:

Joseph W. Folk, 1,274; James A. Reed, 98; Harry B. Hawes, 25; James B. Gantt, 12.

James T. Lloyd for Congress had no opposition.

The returns show the following county ticket was nominated: Representative, L. T. Witte; Prosecuting Attorney, J. B. Luther; County Collector, James L. Sanders; County Treasurer, S. A. Hammond; Sheriff, J. McPherson; Assessor, A. Vought.

Farmers left the field and their work in all sections to go to the polls.

LEWIS COUNTY GOES FOR FOLK.

Incomplete Returns Show Majority of Eight Hundred and Thirty.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Monticello, Mo., April 23.—Incomplete returns from to-day's Democratic primary in Lewis County to-day give Folk 830 majority.

When La Grange is heard from it will increase his majority. Lloyd had no opposition for Congress.

For Circuit Judge Charles Stewart has 211 majority over the present incumbent, with La Grange to hear from, which will increase it.

FOLK AT LEAST FIVE TO ONE.

Clark County Instructs for Rubey, Marmaduke, Mitchell and Cowgill.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kahoka, Mo., April 23.—With four precincts yet to hear from, it is conceded Folk carried Clark County over Reed by 5 to 1.

Rubey, Marmaduke, Mitchell, Cowgill, Major, Winter, Woodson and Peers probably received small majorities.

James T. Lloyd for Congress had no opposition.

Folk for Circuit Judge carried the county by about 200 votes.

MYRIADS OF LIGHTS ILLUMINATE FAIR

Thousands of Electric Globes Gleam From the Artistic Structures.

AS BRIGHT AS NOONDAY.

Visitors Tarry Viewing Beautiful Picture Until Chimes From German Pavilion Ring Out Closing Time.

Perhaps there never was a night scene as resplendent as that afforded last night by the illumination of the World's Fair buildings. Although it was not the first time that the splendid light effects had been seen at the Exposition it was a sight that "tags" could not dim nor custom the staid, but the glowing spectacle was a sight that eclipsed anything ever before attempted in the way of illumination.

Although Director of Works Taylor had announced that all of the buildings in the main picture would be illuminated, as well as the State buildings, it was not possible to carry out this programme, as some of the places were not ready to have the lights turned on.

The Palaces of Education and Varied Industries were in darkness, as were Festival Hall and the twin restaurant pavilions forming the two ends of the peristyle of the Colonnade of States. Only the center cascade of the three on Art Hill was illuminated.

The Palaces of Manufactures and Liberal Arts, with the Government building, were illuminated for the first time. The current was turned on into the lamps on the exterior of the Palace of Varied Industries, but the current bested the lamps at once and it will be necessary to replace about 2,000 of the incandescent burners.

All of the bridges were brilliantly lighted and the beauties of the two miles of lagoon system were thus shown up to the best advantage.

The scene looking down the main avenue from the west end of the Palace of Transportation was very much more brilliant than any former illumination of the buildings because of the lights on the Government building.

Massive structures all ablaze with countless electric lights lined the two sides of the broad avenue, which was terminated by the long facade of the Government building, shown in lines of fire, with its great dome enshrouded from top to base by three horizontal rims of light.

By the reflection of light from the buildings the walks and avenues beside them were made as bright almost as noonday.

Perhaps the crowning achievement of Mr. Rustin's designs in the lighting of the buildings was attained in the lighting effects of the lofty dome entrance in the center of the south front of the Manufactures building.

There were many persons on the grounds, consisting for the most part of Exposition officials and passholders, who were the only ones privileged last night to enter the grounds after closing hours. Director of Works Taylor rode about the grounds in his carriage observing the illumination.

At half past 8 the deep-toned chimes of the German Pavilion on the east spur of Art Hill boomed out the first warning note for visitors to leave the grounds, and until 9 o'clock their melody filled the grounds.

SUMMER TEMPERATURE CULMINATES IN RAINSTORM.

Unsettled Conditions Prevail Over Southern States and Cooler Weather Is Expected.

The sultry atmosphere of yesterday afternoon culminated in a drenching rain and wind storm at 10 o'clock last night, with vivid lightning flashes. The storm did not result, however, in cooling the air, and left the city at midnight with midsummer temperature.

Showers are predicted for to-day, and the possibilities are that cooler weather may follow.

Much warmer weather prevailed in all sections east of the Rocky Mountains, and in the central valleys of the Middle West the temperature was decidedly above the normal for this season of the year.

Unsettled conditions prevail throughout the Southern States, the central valleys, the plateau and the lake region, in all of which sections rain has fallen during the last forty-eight hours.

During the storm last night a brick chimney and a portion of a wall at No. 1719 South Eighth street was blown down. The building is owned by William Appel of No. 325 South Grand avenue. The damage is estimated at \$100.

The attic front of the three-story brick house No. 1218 Geyer avenue was blown in, causing John Housley and his family to vacate the rooms. The damage is estimated at \$1,000.

The side wall of the house No. 823 Emmet street was partly blown down. The house is occupied by Fred Kotter and Samuel Bozer. Damage amounted to \$300.

LIGHTNING KILLS FAIR ELECTRICIAN

Bolt Charges Switch While William Schubert Is Testing Pike Power Plant in Storm.

When the rainstorm which swept over the city last night was at its height William Schubert, an electrician, was struck by a bolt of lightning and instantly killed in the electric transmitting house on the Pike at the World's Fair grounds.

Schubert had entered the building and begun to test the lights and switches which control the illumination and power for the Pike buildings. He had been at work but a short time when the lightning struck one of the wires and charged the switch he was testing.

When he fell, workmen ran to his assistance, but he was dead. Little is known of Schubert by his fellow-workmen. He had been in the city but a short time, having come from Chicago. The body was taken to the morgue.

BRITISH CRUISER THREATENS TO SHELL NICARAGUAN PORT

SPECIAL BY CABLE.

Kingston, Jamaica, April 23.—The British cruiser Retribution has sailed again for Bluefields, Nicaragua, with orders to bombard that port unless the Nicaraguans immediately release the six Cayman turtle schooners and their crews that were seized some days ago by the commandant there. The schooners belong to Mosquito Coast Indians, who are under British protection.